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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND
PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(d)(3)**

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, it is requested that the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record in the above-identified application.

Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart Japanese application on November 16, 1999, which is not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.


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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d)(3), Applicants hereby petition for consideration of the instant *Information Disclosure Statement*. Submitted herewith is the requisite fee of \$130.00 petition fee. A duplicate of this paper is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (0756-1741).

A copy of the reference cited is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

Respectfully submitted,



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